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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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THE REGISTRATION OF TRAINING-SCHOOLS

DEAR EDITOR: The registration of nurses has been a question of such vital interest that when we applied for the registration of the Metropolitan Training-School, Blackwell's Island, and failed to secure the same owing to not having a service in the care of children, the number of letters received from graduates and their friends convinced us that the new nurses' law had stirred up a widespread interest.

What did we do?

On February 19 we were informed that our application had been held. A report was immediately made to the Board of Managers. Several plans suggested themselves, and finally, with the coöperation of the Medical Board and Commissioner, it was decided to open a children's ward in the hospital.

The first small patients arrived on April 18, and on May 20 we were notified that the graduates of the school were entitled to register, since the school had met all requirements.

The school offers a three-year course in general training, with experience in nursing consumptives if desired. Classes are formed quarterly, on the first of October, January, April, and July, with preliminary instruction to the probationers.

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THE WORLD'S WAR AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.—Rochester, N. Y., has organized a Public Health Association composed of prominent citizens and workers in all lines of philanthropy, and a tuberculosis crusade is the first work to be undertaken. The new Municipal Hospital, built during the smallpox epidemic, but not finished in time to be used at that time, is to be utilized for the care of tuberculous patients. Binghamton, N. Y., has also formed an association to provide public care of tubercular patients, and Newport, R. I., is working on the same lines.